

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph 1027 on page 9 with the following paragraph:

Signal-Bearing Machine-Readable Data Storage Media

Wherever the functionality of any operational components of the disclosure is implemented using one or more machine-executed program sequences, these sequences may be embodied stored in on various forms of signal-bearing machine-readable data storage media. In the context of FIGURE 2, such a signal-bearing machine-readable data storage media may comprise, for example, the storage 204 ~~or another signal-bearing media~~, such as a magnetic data storage diskette 300 (FIGURE 3), directly or indirectly accessible by a processor 202. Whether contained in the storage 206, diskette 300, or elsewhere, the instructions may be stored on a variety of machine-readable data storage media. Some examples include direct access storage (e.g., a conventional "hard drive", redundant array of inexpensive disks ("RAID"), or another direct access storage device ("DASD")), serial-access storage such as magnetic or optical tape, electronic non-volatile memory (e.g., ROM, EPROM, flash PROM, or EEPROM), battery backup RAM, optical storage (e.g., CD-ROM, WORM, DVD, digital optical tape), or paper "punch" cards, ~~or other suitable signal-bearing media including analog or digital transmission media and analog and communication links and wireless communications~~. In one embodiment, the machine-readable instructions may comprise software object code, compiled from a language such as assembly language, C, etc.

Please amend paragraph 1065 on page 22 with the following paragraph:

In addition, those of ordinary skill in the relevant art will understand that information and signals may be represented using a variety of different technologies and techniques. For example, any data, instructions, commands, information, ~~signals~~, bits, symbols, and chips referenced herein may be represented by voltages, currents, electromagnetic

waves, magnetic fields or particles, optical fields or particles, other items, or a combination of the foregoing.